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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in History, University of Michigan, 2001

Visiting Researcher, Institute of History and Philology, Academia Sinica,

Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan, ROC, 1999-2000

M.A. in Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1995

B.A. in History, College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio, 1992

Semester Abroad, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin, Hong Kong (Fall 1990)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Distinguished Book Award in the "Biography/Memoir" category from The Society for Military History for Struggle for Empire: The Battles of General Zuo Zongtang (2025)

"Book of the Year" award from The Samuel B. Griffith Foundation for the Study of Chinese Military History for *Struggle for Empire: The Battles of General Zuo Zongtang* (2025)

Travel Grant, Stanford East Asia Library (2024)

Leo A. Shifrin Distinguished Chair in Military History, United States Naval Academy (2019-20)

Innovation Award for Outstanding Researcher, University of Southern Mississippi (2019)

Association for Asian Studies Northeast Asia Council Distinguished Speaker Grant (2018-19)

Graduate Program Recruiting Grant—University of Southern Mississippi (2017)

Moncado Prize for Outstanding Article Published in The Journal of Military History (2016)

General Buford Blount Professor of Military History, University of Southern Mississippi (2015-2017)

Member, School of Historical Studies, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton University (2015)

College of Arts & Letters Researcher of the Year, University of Southern Mississippi (2014)

Lucas Award for Faculty Excellence—University of Southern Mississippi (2014)

Summer Grant for the Improvement of Instruction—University of Southern Mississippi (2013)

American Council of Learned Societies—American Research in the

Humanities in China Grant (2010)

Graduate Program Recruiting Grant—Ball State University (2009 & 2011)

Indexing Grant—Ball State University (2009)

West Point Summer Seminar in Military History Participant (2008)

Indiana University East Asian Studies Center Research Travel Grant (2007)

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend (2006)

Ball State University Summer Funding—Ball State University (2006)

Moncado Prize for Outstanding Article published in *The Journal of Military History* (2006)

New Faculty Summer Research Grant—Ball State University (Summer 2005)

Faculty Travel Grant—Marist College (Fall 2003 & Spring 2004)

Nominated for Faculty Member of the Year Award—Marist College (2004)

Summer Research Grant—Marist College (Summer 2002)

U of Michigan Center for Japanese Studies—Asia Library Travel Grant (Summer 2002)

Faculty Travel Grant—Marist College (Fall &Winter 2002)

Rackham Dissertation Completion Grant (Winter 2001)

Fulbright Grant for dissertation research in Taiwan (1999-2000)

Fellowships in Language and Area Studies—Michigan (1999-2000 & 1997-1998)

Center for Chinese Studies Conference Grants—Michigan (Spring 1999 & Spring 2001)

Rackham Travel Grants—Michigan (Spring 1997, Spring 1999 & Spring 2001)

Summer Funding Award—Michigan (1998)

Rackham Endowment/ Block Grant Awards—Michigan (1994-95 & 1996-97)

Induction into Phi Beta Kappa Society (1992)

Dean's List—College of Wooster (1988-92)

Academic Achievement Awards—College of Wooster (1988-92)

Dunham Prize in History for Outstanding Senior Independent Study (1992)

Turner Prize in History for Outstanding Junior Independent Study (1990)

Graduated from College of Wooster with Departmental Honors

DISSERTATION

"The Three Great Campaigns of the Wanli Emperor, 1592-1600: Court, Military, and Society in Late Sixteenth-Century China" (University of Michigan, 2001) Advisor: Dr. Chun-shu Chang Exam Fields: Premodern China (Major Field); Modern China; Premodern Japan; Imperial Russia

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<u>Professor of Strategy & Policy, United States Naval War College (Newport, RI), Jan. 2025-present (12 month salaried position; 40 hours per week)</u>

Duties performed: Teaching core classes "Strategy & War" and "Strategy & Policy" in the Strategy & Policy Department, advising students; professional service; research and writing; Case Lead for "Pacific War" and "Korean War" case studies in the Intermediate Leadership Course (Fall 2025);

Other activities include:

Guest on "Strategy Matters Podcast: From Humiliation to Hegemon: The Russo-Japanese War;" Service on Dissertation Committee for Joseph Hanauer (Vanderbilt University) ["Dissertation Title: Officers and Sages: The Ming Martial Schools"]; Manuscript Reviewer for Late Imperial China; Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of the European Association for Chinese Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for the Journal of Chinese Military History; Manuscript Reviewer for The International Journal of Military History and Historiography; Manuscript Reviewer for Japan Review; Manuscript Reviewer for the University of Michigan Press; National Geographic interview about city walls of Xi'an;

Professor of History & Senior Fellow of the Dale Center for the Study of War and Society, University of Southern Mississippi (Hattiesburg, MS), Aug. 2012-present (General Buford Blount Professor of Military History, 2015-17) (10 month salaried position; 40 hours per week)

Duties Performed: Designing and teaching courses in areas of specialization at all levels; advising students; committee and university service work; professional service; research and writing; community outreach [See below for details]

Courses taught: "Research Tools & Methods;" "Asian History Through Martial Arts Films;" "Graduate Seminar on The Greater East Asian & Pacific War;" "World War II;" "World Civilizations, Part I;" (Face to face & online); "Honors World Civilization, Part I;" "Frontier History of the Han Dynasty;" "Modern Asia;" "Graduate level Philosophy & Methods of History;" "World Civilizations, Part Two;" "Graduate Seminar on War & Society in Late Imperial China;" "Survey of Modern Military History;"

"Modern China;" "Graduate Seminar on Imperial Japan, 1868-1945;" "Age of the Samurai;" "World Civilizations I Online;" "Graduate Seminar in Global War & Society;" "Women & Gender in Modern Asia;" "Supernatural History of Asia;" "World Civilizations II Online;" Honors Seminar "The Art of War;" "Graduate Seminar on Empires in Early Modern Asia;" "Survey of Premodern Asia;" "Honors Seminar: Real Housewives of Heian Japan;" "Graduate Seminar on War & Revolution in Asia, 1850-1950;" "History of Baseball"

Other activities include:

Manuscript Reviewer for Ming Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for International Journal of Asian Studies; Cover Endorsement for Uncertain Allies: General Joseph Stilwell and the China-Burma-India Theater by Eric Setzekorn; National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship Review Committee (2024); History Program Awards Committee (2024); Manuscript Reviewer for War in History; PhD Thesis Examiner for Tian Chong, "Cinematic Representation of Shaolin Culture: A History," University of the Punjab, Pakistan; Manuscript Reviewer for Sungkyun Journal of East Asian Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for History: The Journal of the Historical Association; Featured author on Beta Shepherd "Books of the Year, 2023;" Manuscript Reviewer for Late Imperial China; History Program Faculty Evaluation Committee (2023-24); Service on College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum BA/BS Review Sub-committee (2023-24); Manuscript Reviewer for Hong Kong University Press; Manuscript Reviewer for China and Asia; Consultant for Archaeology magazine regarding sunken treasure found at Jiangkou, China; Manuscript Reviewer for The Journal of World History; PhD Committee Member for Samuel Greene (Mississippi State University); PhD Dissertation Outside Reviewer for Tang Baicheng (University of the Punjab, Pakistan; Thesis entitled "The Great Wall of China and its Impacts on Eastern Hebei Province"); PhD Comps Committee Member, Bearington Curtis; PhD Comps Committee Member, Oscar Coles; PhD Comps Committee Member, Justin Major; External Reviewer for Research Grants Council of Hong Kong for project entitled "The American Military in China, 1941-1949: A Sourcebook of Everyday Encounters" (2023); Secured 5 year renewable grant from the US Army Center of Military History for Graduate Student Researchers valued at \$438,000 (2022); Outside Assessor for PhD Candidate Kizaki Braddick at Oxford University, UK (2022); College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum Committee (2022-24); Service on Dale Center Scholarships Committee (2022-24); Volunteer for the Jump Start college fair event; Volunteer for National History Day at USM (2023); Adviser for Ammaar Ahmed for National History Day project on Zheng He for Karachi American School; Manuscript Reviewer for Asian Power Transitions: Internal Challenges, the Common Conjecture, and the Future of U.S.-China Relations by David Kang and Xinru Ma for Columbia University Press; Manuscript Reviewer for International Journal of Korean History; Featured on Chinese History Podcast (Feb. 2022); Blog post for Dale Center on China's Reaction to Russia's Invasion of Ukraine; Grant Reviewer for the Hong Kong Research Council (2022); Undergraduate Awards Committee (History); Manuscript Reviewer for Small Wars & Insurgencies; Manuscript Reviewer for Monumenta Serica; History Program Graduate Committee (2021-24); School of Humanities Graduate Committee (2021-24); Honors College Admissions Reviewer (2022); Mid-tenure Review Committee, School of Humanities (2013-present); Scholarship Committee, Dale Center (2021-24); Coordinator of War & Society Roundtable Book Club (2013-19; 2021-22; Featured author on Beta Shepherd: Best Books on the Great East Asian War, 1592-1598: https://shepherd.com/best-books/thegreat-east-asian-war-of-1592-1598; Manuscript Reviewer for Sungkyun Journal of East Asian Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for War & Society; Manuscript Reviewer for Frontiers of History in China; Manuscript Reviewer for Late Imperial China; Fulbright Information Webinar Panelist (Spring 2021); Director of Graduate Studies in Department of History (Summer 2013-2018); Book Review Editor, The

Journal of Chinese Military History (2009-present); History Graduate Committee, School of Humanities (2020-21); Outside PhD Committee Member for Michael Chung (Emory University, 2021-present); Liaison & Webmaster for 103d Infantry Division Collection in McCain Archives (2015-present); Manuscript Reviewer for Columbia University Press; Chair of History Department Graduate Committee (2013-18); International Studies Committee (2018-19); Nominated for NEH Summer Stipend (2018); Dale Center Research Awards Committee (2018-19); Contact Person for Center of Military History Fellows Exchange (2017-19); Presentation at Sumrall Elementary School on Chinese History & Culture; Honors College Admissions Reviewer; PhD Committee Member (Aderian Partain); Dale Center Student Paper Awards Committee (2019); Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of Military History; Credential Evaluator for National Taiwan University; External Tenure Reviewer for Dr. Yan Xu (Spelman College); External Tenure Reviewer for Dr. Yang Wei (University of Colorado); Manuscript Reviewer for Routledge; Cover Endorsement for More Than the Great Wall: The Northern Frontier and Ming National Security, 1368–1644, by John W. Dardess; Manuscript reviewer for China and Asia; Manuscript reviewer for Hackett Press; Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of Historical Sociology; Grant Review Referee for the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong; Manuscript Reviewer for The International Journal of Asian Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for Acta Koreana; Planning and Assessment Committee; Manuscript Reviewer for Modern Asian Studies; Outside Promotion Referee for Dr. Thomas Nimick (United States Military Academy); Manuscript Reviewer for Ming Studies; Commendation Award for Assessment of Graduate Program (2017); Manuscript Reviewer for International Security; Manuscript Reviewer for American Public University Press; Service on Ph.D. Committee (Adam Rock); Secured Research Assistant Position Grant for Grad Student with US Army Center of Military History; Chair of GA of the Year Selection Committee (2018); Service on MA Committee (Aderian Partain); Manuscript Reviewer, Journal of World History; Cover Endorsement written for The Gunpowder Age: China, Military Innovation and the Rise of the West by Tonio Andrade; Manuscript Reviewer for Cross Currents: East Asian History & Culture Review; Manuscript Reviewer for Ming-Qing vanjiu; Television interviews for local ABC & Fox Affiliates concerning North Korean nuclear test; Invited to serve on NEH Collaborative Review Competition Committee (Declined); Lucas Grant Review Committee; Media source for Politico and Atlas Obscura; NEH Summer Stipend National Review Committee for Asia-related projects; Manuscript Reviewer for Oxford University Press; College Faculty Awards Committee; NEH Summer Stipend Campus Review Committee (2014-17); College Advisory Committee (2017-19); Chair of History Department Social Committee (2014-15; 16-17); Facilitated acquisition of the Archives of the 103rd Infantry Division for McCain Archives; Participation in Graduate Student Mentoring Workshop (Fall 2014); Service on MA Comps Committees (Sam Ward; David Conway); Service on Promotion & Tenure Document Revision Committee (2014-15); Service on Interdisciplinary Studies Faculty Search Committee (2014); Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of East Asian Studies; Coordinated McCarthy Lecture Series around "Pivot to Asia" theme (Fall 2015); College of Arts & Letters Researcher of the Year (2015); Volunteer judge for National History Day (2015-16); M.A. Thesis Committee Member for Lindsay Williams; Manuscript Reviewer for Rowman & Littlefield publishers; Manuscript Reviewer for Bedford/St. Martin's; Cover endorsement written for Wartime Culture in Guilin, 1938-1944: A City at War by Pingchao Zhu; Assisted in writing successful Mississippi Council for the Humanities Grant; Advance comments written for back cover of Columbia University Press book A Korean War Captive in Japan, 1597-1600: The Writings of Kang Hang by Jahyun Kim Haboush & Kenneth Robinson; Advance comments written for Harvard University Press book Martial Spectacles of the Ming Court by David Robinson; Manuscript Reviewer for Chinese language submissions for Taida Lishi xuebao [Historical Inquiry published by Taiwan National University]; Manuscript Reviewer for *Journal of Early Modern History*; Organizer of History

Department Alumni Homecoming Tailgate event (2013-14); Service on University-wide Graduate Council (2013-14); History Department Graduate Travel Committee; Outside Promotion Evaluator for Dr. Harry Miller (University of South Alabama); Summer Grant for the Improvement of Instruction Review Committee (2013-14); Guest Lecturer for Political Science 201: Topic: "Future Prospects of Chinese Development;" Faculty Reviewer for 2014 Undergraduate Research Symposium; Grader for Advanced Placement Exams in European History (2013-14); Manuscript Reviewer for Korean Studies; Outside Promotion Evaluator for Dr. Pingchao Zhu (University of Idaho); Manuscript reviewer for Cambridge University Press; Manuscript reviewer for *The Journal of Chinese Military History*; Manuscript Reviewer for War in History; Hosted 2013 Annual Conference of the Chinese Military History Society; Contact Person/Moderator for Center for War & Society Roundtable at the Hattiesburg Public Library; Participation in Quiz Bowl & various Phi Alpha Theta events; Participation in university-wide undergraduate research conference; Service on Jack Lucas Award Committee (2013-15); Dale Center for the Study of War & Society Committee; Service on Online Teaching subcommittee; Search Committee for Position in Medieval European History (2013-14); Service on Committee for establishing a Confucius Institute at USM; Service on Program Committee for 2014 Society for Military History Annual Meeting; Consultant for National Geographic; Chair of History Department Planning & Assessment Committee (2012-14); Chair of History Department Awards Committee (2012-13)

Leo A. Shifrin Distinguished Chair in Naval & Military History, United States Naval Academy (Annapolis, MD) July 2019-May 2020 (One year visiting salaried position; 40 hours per week)

Duties Performed: Teaching courses in areas of specialization; advising students; committee work; research, writing, and professional development [See below for details]

Courses taught: "China in World War II;" "Late Imperial Chinese Military History;" "The Great East Asian War of 1592-1598;" "The Art of War"

Associate Professor of History, Ball State University (Muncie, IN), Aug. 2009- May 2012; (Assistant Professor, Aug. 2004-May 2009) (9 month salaried position; 45 hours per week)

Duties Performed: Designing and teaching courses in areas of specialization at all levels; advising students; committee and university service work; professional service; research and writing; community outreach [See below for details]

Courses taught: "Modern Asia Since 1600;" "Modern Japan Since 1600" (Also offered as an online Independent Learning course); "Premodern Japan to 1600;" Introduction to Non-Western History;" "World Civilization I;" "The Mongol Empire in World History;" "Graduate Seminar in World History; topics include: "War, State & Society in Yuan-Ming China;" "The Greater East Asian & Pacific War;" "Peasant Rebellions and Social Movements;" "Empires in Asian History;" and "Nationalism;" "Modern China Since 1600" (Also offered as an online Independent Learning course); "Premodern China to 1600;" "Independent Readings in Premodern Chinese History;" "Independent Readings in Modern Chinese History;" "Independent Readings in Modern Chinese History;" "Independent Readings in Modern Chinese History;"

Other activities include: Director of Graduate Studies for History Department (Spring 2008-Summer 2012); Seminar designer and instructor for National Consortium for Teaching about Asia Seminar

(Spring 2009 & Spring 2012); Program Committee Member for 2011 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History; National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend Review Committee (Fall 2009 & Fall 2011); Editorial Board Member of The Journal of Chinese Military History; Book Review Editor for The Journal of Chinese Military History; Contact person for History Department link to the Society for Military History website; Consultant for Spike TV Television Show "Deadliest Warrior;" Nominated for Faculty Homecoming King (Fall 2009); Service on departmental Promotion and Tenure Committee (2011-12); Service on History Department Curriculum Committee (2005-12); Secretary for Search Committee in Early Modern European History (2009-2010); Judge for Ball State University National Debate Competition; Manuscript Reviewer for Columbia University Press; Textbook reviewer for Houghton Mifflin Press; Textbook reviewer for AB Longman Press; Manuscript reviewer for Taylor and Francis publishers; Manuscript Reviewer for Ming Studies; Manuscript Reviewer for The Journal of Military History; Manuscript Reviewer for Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient; Manuscript Reviewer for The Journal of Northeast Asian History; Manuscript Reviewer for Canadian Journal of Sociology; Manuscript Reviewer for History Compass; Service on Search Committee for Chinese language professor; Service as Secretary for History Department Advisory Committee; Service on History Department Merit Committee; Service on History Department Graduate Programs Committee; Service on Undergraduate Programs Committee; Service on Search Committee for position in Islamic History; Service on Student History Conference Committee; Reviewing Internal Faculty Grant Applications for Office of Academic Research; Service on NEH Grant Application Review Committee (Chaired Committee in 2008); Writing interpretive essays for exhibits at Ball State University Art Museum; Training museum docents for giving tours of the Asian collection; Guest lecturing for prison outreach program; Service on the Asian Studies Committee; Service on Curriculum Revision Committee for Asian Studies Minor; Service on Graduate Research Subcommittee; Service on Student History Conference Selection Committee; Service on Comprehensive Exam Committees for M.A. Students; Advising undergraduate theses; Service as Department Representative for the United Way Campaign; Service as Reviewer for Midwestern Association of Graduate Schools Distinguished Thesis Competition; Taught class entitled "Discovering the Tao" for local business; Training University Museum docents for tours of the Asian collection; Guest lectures for other BSU courses; Public lectures at BSU Art Museum; and bringing guest lecturers to campus to give lectures for History 493 (Premodern Japan) and History 496 (Modern China)

Seminar Designer and Senior Instructor-Norwich University (Norwich, VT), June 2006-April 2022 (Contract position, based on enrollment, average 15 hours per week)

Duties performed: Designed and teach seminar entitled "Non-Western Warfare: The Asian Art of War" for online Master's Program in Military History; Course Revised in Spring 2011 as "Military History and Culture of China;" Also teach "Military History of Late Agrarian States, 1500-1800;" and "Non-Western Military History, 1500-2000;" "Directed Readings in Military History;" Re-Designed "Non-Western Warfare"

Assistant Professor of History, Marist College (Poughkeepsie, NY), Aug. 2001-May 2004 (Salaried position, 10 month contract, 45 hours per week)

Duties Performed: Designing and teaching courses in areas of specialization at all levels; advising students; committee and university service work; professional service; research and writing; community outreach [See below for details]

Courses Taught: "History of Asia I-II" (2 semesters), "The Origins of Modern Times," "Traditional China," "Modern China," "The Art of War in East Asia," "World War II in Asia," "History of Baseball," "Themes in Modern History," and "World War II: Axis & Allies."

Other campus activities included: Co-Director of Marist in China program; Hosted 5th Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society; Campus Liaison for AsiaNetwork; Faculty Adviser to the History Club; Adviser to the International Film Series; Member of the Global Studies Committee; Member of the Fellowship Advisory Committee; Attending events as representative of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute in Hyde Park, NY; Providing assistance in implementing Marist College's first Chinese language instruction courses; Organizing and chaperoning student field trips; Service on search committees for positions in European, Islamic, Latin American and African history, and bringing guest speakers to campus

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Late Imperial Chinese Military, Political, and Social History; Premodern Asia; Modern Asia; East Asian International Relations; World War II; Comparative World History; The Cold War; Imperialism; Military History; Grand Strategy; Occult and Fortean topics, and the History of Baseball

PUBLICATIONS—BOOKS, ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

The Consolidation of China's Qing Dynasty: The Three Feudatories Rebellion, 1673-1681, and its Impact, forthcoming in the "Asian States & Empires" series (London: Routledge, 2026)

Struggle for Empire: The Battles of General Zuo Zongtang (Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 2024)—Selected as "Book of the Year" for 2025 by the Samuel B. Griffith Foundation for Chinese Military History; Selected as "Best Biography/Memoir" by the Society for Military History for 2025 [Chinese translation forthcoming from Gingko Publishing Co., Beijing]

Editor and contributor, *The Ming World* (London: Routledge, 2019)

On the Trail of the Yellow Tiger: War, Trauma, and Social Dislocation in Southwest China During the Ming-Qing Transition, in the "Studies in War, Society, and the Military" series (Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 2018) [Chinese Translation forthcoming from Gingko Publishing Co., Beijing]—Featured in the podcast "Military History Inside Out:" https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=koYv1EALDKQ {Choice Recommended Title}

Co-editor (with Tonio Andrade) and contributor, *Early Modern East Asia: War, Commerce & Cultural Exchange: Essays in Honor of John E. Wills, Jr.* (London: Routledge, 2017)

The Military Collapse of China's Ming Dynasty, 1618-1644, in the "Asian States and Empires" series (London: Routledge, 2014)[Chinese translation forthcoming from Social Sciences Academic Press]—Featured in podcast on "New Books in Military History" http://newbooksinmilitaryhistory.com {Choice Highly Recommended Title}

A Dragon's Head and a Serpent's Tail: Ming China and the First Great East Asian War, 1592-1598, in the "Campaigns & Commanders" series (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 2009) [Chinese translation, Longtou shewei: Mingdai Zhongguo yu di yici dongya da zhan, 1592-1598, published by

- Minzhu yu jianshe chubanshe, 2024]—Featured on Beta Shepherd "Best Books" website: https://shepherd.com/best-books/the-great-east-asian-war-of-1592-1598
- Edited, wrote the introduction, and contributed to *Warfare in China Since 1600* for the series *The International Library of Essays in Military History* (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate, 2005)
- "Claws and Teeth of the Dragon: Infantry Warfare in Ming China," forthcoming in *Infantry Warfare* from Ancient Times to Today, edited by Jeremy Black (Rome: Societa Italiana di Storia Militare, 2026)
- "Riverine Warfare in Southwest China during the Ming-Qing Transition," forthcoming in *Southeast Asia in Global History: Essays in Honor of Victor Lieberman* edited by Momoki Shiro and Sun Laichen (London: Routledge, 2025)
- "China, 1368-1911," in *The Cambridge History of Strategy* edited by Beatrice Heuser and Isabelle Duyvesteyn 4 vols. (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2025), pp. 404-424
- "La contraofensiva Chino-Coreana y la retirada Japonesa." [The Sino-Korean Counteroffensive and the Japanese Withdrawal] *Desperta Ferro Historia Moderna* 69 (April 2024), pp. 55-62
- "New Approaches to Late Imperial Chinese Warfare," in *The Routledge Handbook of the Global History of Warfare* edited by Kaushik Roy and Michael Charney (London: Routledge, 2024), pp. 110-122
- "Boats, Barbarians & Bandits: Riverine Warfare & the Taiping Rebellion," *The Journal of Chinese Military History* 12.1 (2023), pp. 1-29
- "Revolution or Evolution? The Late Imperial Chinese Military, ca. 1400-1800," in *Global Military Transformations: Change and Continuity, 1450-1800*, edited by Jeremy Black (Rome: Societa Italiana di Storia Militare, 2023), pp. 453-480
- "The Grand Strategy of the Ming Dynasty during the Great East Asian War, 1592-1598," in David Kang and Stephan Haggard, eds., *The East Asian World* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020), pp. 108-128
- "East Asian International Relations over the Long Duree," with David Kang, in David Kang and Stephan Haggard, eds., *The East Asian World* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020), pp. 22-43
- "Chinese Ways of Warfare," in Robert Antony, Stuart Carroll, and Caroline Dodds Pennock, eds., *The Cambridge World History of Violence Vol. III, 1500-1800 CE*, (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2019), pp. 119-137
- "General Zuo's Counter-insurgency Doctrine," Small Wars and Insurgencies 30.4-5 (2019), pp. 937-967
- "The Legend of Tang Saier," in Kenneth M. Swope, ed., *The Ming World* (London: Routledge, 2019), pp. 311-321

- "From Peasant Rebel to Ming Loyalist: The Career of Li Dingguo," in Kenneth M. Swope, ed., *The Ming World* (London: Routledge, 2019), pp. 385-402
- "War and Society in East Asia," in *The Routledge Global History of War and Society*, edited by David J. Ulbrich and Matthew S. Muehlbauer (London: Routledge, 2018), pp. 1-28
- "Rivers of Blood and Roads of Bones: Sichuan in the Ming-Qing Transition," in *Early Modern East Asia: War, Commerce & Cultural Exchange: Essays in Honor of John E. Wills, Jr.*, edited by Kenneth M. Swope and Tonio Andrade (London: Routledge, 2017), pp. 34-64
- "Naval Technology, State Power and the Influence of Qi Jiguang in the Late Ming," in *The Maritime Defence of China: General Qi Jiguang and Beyond*, edited by Y.H. Teddy Sim (Singapore: Springer, 2017), pp. 201-215
- "Causes and Consequences of the Ming Intervention in Vietnam in the Early Fifteenth Century," in *Ming China: Courts and Contacts, 1400-1450*, edited by Craig Clunas, Jessica Harrison-Hall, and Luk Yu-ping (London: British Museum Press, 2016), pp. 37-46
- "Manifesting Awe: Grand Strategy and Imperial Leadership in the Ming Dynasty," *The Journal of Military History* 79.3 (July 2015), pp. 597-634—Winner of a 2016 Moncado Prize from the Society for Military History
- "Ming Grand Strategy and the Intervention in Korea," in *The East Asian War, 1592-1598: International Relations, Violence and Memory*, edited by James B. Lewis (London: Routledge, 2015), pp. 163-196
- "Gunsmoke: The Ming Invasion of Dai Viet and the Role of Firearms in Forging the Southern Frontier," in *China's Encounters in the South and Southwest: Reforging the Fiery Frontier Over Two Millennia*, edited by John K. Whitmore and James Anderson (Leiden: Brill, 2015), pp. 156-168
- "Postcards from the Edge: Competing Strategies for the Defense of Liaodong in the Late Ming," in *Civil-Military Relations in Chinese History: From Ancient China to the Communist Takeover*, edited by Kai Filipiak (London: Routledge, 2015), pp. 144-171
- "Bringing in the Big Guns: On the Use of Firearms in the Ming-Manchu War," in *Chinese and Indian Warfare From the Classical Age to 1870*, edited by Kaushik Roy and Peter Lorge (London: Routledge, 2015), pp. 134-145
- "As Close as Lips and Teeth: Debating the Ming Intervention in Korea, 1592," in *Debating War in Chinese History* edited by Peter Lorge (Leiden: Brill, 2013), pp. 163-190
- "Of Bureaucrats and Bandits: Confucianism and Antirebel Strategy at the End of the Ming Dynasty," in *Warfare and Culture in World History*, edited by Wayne E. Lee (New York: New York University Press, 2011), pp. 61-89—Reprinted with minor revisions in 2nd edition (2020)

- "Ming-Qing zhanzheng zhong dapao de shiyong," [On the Use of Heavy Artillery in the Ming-Qing War] *Qing shi yanjiu* 2011.3 (Aug.), pp. 143-150 [Chinese language publication]
- "To Catch a Tiger: The Suppression of the Yang Yinglong Miao Uprising (1587-1600) as a Case Study in Ming Military and Borderlands History," in *New Perspectives on the History and Historiography of Southeast Asia* edited by Kenneth R. Hall and Michael Aung Thwin (London: Routledge, 2011), pp. 112-140
- "The Beating of Drums & Clashing of Symbols: Music in Ming Dynasty Military Operations," *The Chinese Historical Review* 16.2 (Fall 2009), pp. 147-177
- "Cutting Dwarf Pirates Down to Size: Amphibious Warfare in Sixteenth-Century East Asia," in *New Interpretations in Naval History: Selected Papers from the Fifteenth Naval History Symposium*, edited by Maochun Yu (Annapolis: Naval Institute Press, 2009), pp. 81-107 [Revised version reprinted in *The Maritime Defence of China: General Qi Jiguang and Beyond*, edited by Y.H. Teddy Sim (Singapore: Springer, 2017), pp. 163-186
- "Shin horobite shisamushi: Min ga sansen sezaru o enakatta riyu," [When the Lips Die, the Teeth Freeze: Reasons for the Ming Intervention] in Chung Doo-hee, et al, comps., *Jinshin Senso: Juroku seiki Ni-Cho-Chu no kokusai senso* [The Imjin War: A Sixteenth Century International War Between Japan, Korea and China] (Tokyo: Akashi shoten, 2008), pp. 351-394. [Japanese language publication and translation of *A Transnational History of the Imjin Waeran*]
- "War and Remembrance: Yang Hao and the Siege of Ulsan of 1598," *Journal of Asian History* 42.2 (Dec. 2008), pp. 165-195
- "Clearing the Fields and Strengthening the Walls: Defending Small Cities in Late Ming China," in *Secondary Cities and Urban Networking in the Indian Ocean Realm* edited by Kenneth R. Hall (Boulder: Lexington Books, 2008), pp. 123-154
- "Bestowing the Double-edged Sword: Wanli as Supreme Military Commander," in *Culture, Courtiers, and Competition: The Ming Court (1368-1644)* edited by David Robinson (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2008), pp. 61-115
- "Protecting the Dragon's Teeth: Reasons for Ming China's Intervention," in *A Transnational History of the Imjin Waeran*, 1592-1598, 2 vols. (Seoul: Humanist Books, 2007), vol. II, pp. 317-353 [Korean language publication]
- "Beyond Turtleboats: Siege Accounts from Toyotomi Hideyoshi's Second Invasion of Korea, 1597-1598," *Sungkyun Journal of East Asian Studies* 6.2 (October 2006), pp. 177-206
- "Crouching Tigers, Secret Weapons: Military Technology Employed During the Sino-Japanese-Korean War, 1592-1598," *The Journal of Military History* 69.1 (Jan. 2005), pp. 11-43—Winner of a 2006 Moncado Prize from The Society for Military History

"A Few Good Men: The Li Family and China's Northern Frontier in the Late Ming," *Ming Studies* 49 (2004), pp. 34-81—Reprinted in *Warfare in China Since 1600*

"Turning the Tide: The Strategic and Psychological Significance of the Liberation of Pyongyang in 1593," *War and Society* 21.2 (October 2003), pp. 1-22—Reprinted in *Warfare in China to 1600*, edited by Peter Lorge (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate, 2005) & in *Military History: Critical Concepts in Military, Strategic, and Security Studies*, edited by Jeremy Black (London: Routledge, 2017)

"All Men are Not Brothers: Ethnic Identity and Dynastic Loyalty in the Ningxia Mutiny of 1592," *Late Imperial China* 24.1 (June 2003), pp. 79-129

"Deceit, Disguise, and Dependence: China, Japan, and the Future of the Tributary System, 1592-1596," *The International History Review* 24.4 (December 2002), pp. 757-782

"Civil-Military Coordination in the Bozhou Campaign of the Wanli Era," *War and Society* 18.2 (October 2000), pp. 49-70—Reprinted in *Warfare in China to 1600* edited by Peter Lorge (Aldershot, UK: Ashgate, 2005)

Dissertation: "The Three Great Campaigns of the Wanli Emperor, 1592-1600: Court, Military, and Society in Late Sixteenth-Century China" (University of Michigan, 2001)

BOOK REVIEWS, REPORTS AND SHORTER PUBLICATIONS

Entries forthcoming in the *Dictionary of Late Imperial China (1368-1911)*, edited by Francois Gipoloux, (Paris: Centre for National Scientific Research, 2025) Entries include: The Late Ming Peasant Rebellions; Wu Sangui, and The Dungan Rebellion

Book review of Rupture, Evolution, and Continuity: The Shandong Peninsula in East Asian Maritime History during the Yuan-Ming Transition by Ma Guang in The International Journal of Asian Studies 21.1 (2024), pp. 165-166

Book review of *The White Lotus War: Rebellion and Suppression in Late Imperial China* by Yingcong Dai, in *T'oung Pao* 107 (2021), pp. 502-507

Book review of *The Art of Being Governed: Everyday Politics in Late Imperial China* by Michael Szonyi, in *The Harvard Journal of Asiatic Studies* 80.1 (June 2020), pp. 282-286

Book review of Lever of Power: Military Deception in China and the West by Ralph D. Sawyer, in The Journal of Military History 82.2 (April 2018), pp. 585-587

Book review of *China's Hegemony: Four Hundred Years of East Asian Domination* by Ji-Young Lee in *Bulletin of the School of Oriental and African Studies* 80.3 (Oct. 2017), pp. 625-626

Book review of *The Great East Asian War and the Birth of the Korean Nation* by Jahyun Kim Haboush in *Sixteenth-Century Journal* 47.3 (2016), pp. 724-725

Book review of *A Political Life in Ming China: A Grand Secretary and His Times* by John W. Dardess in *China Review International* 21.1 (2014; published in 2016), pp. 27-30

Entries in *The Berkshire Dictionary of Chinese Biography* 4 vols. Edited by Kerry Brown (Great Barrington, MA: Berkshire, 2014) Entries include: Li Zicheng (pp. 942-952) and Yuan Chonghuan (pp. 1068-1076)

Book review of *Beyond Suffering: Recounting War in Modern China* edited by James Flath and Norman Smith in *Pacific Affairs* 86.4 (Fall 2013), pp. 909-911

Book review of Lost Colony: The Untold Story of China's First Great Victory over the West by Tonio Andrade in The American Historical Review 117.2 (April 2012), pp. 499-500

Book review of *The Troubled Empire: China in the Yuan and Ming Dynasties* by Timothy Brook in *The Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 54.4 (Fall 2011), pp. 552-554

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Book Review of *Battlefronts Real and Imagined: War, Border, and Identity in the Chinese Middle Period* edited by Don J. Wyatt in *China Review International* 17.2 (2011), pp. 256-259

Book review of *Empire's Twilight: Northeast Asia Under the Mongols* by David M. Robinson in *The American Historical Review* 115.4 (Oct. 2010), pp. 1119-1120

Book review of *Tour of Duty: Samurai, Military Service in Edo, and the Culture of Early Modern Japan* by Constantine Nomikos Vaporis, in *The Historian* 72.3 (Fall 2010), pp. 672-673

Book review of *Military Culture in Imperial China*, edited by Nicola di Cosmo, in *De Re Militari* (2009) [Online publication]

Book review of *Khubilai Khan's Lost Fleet: In Search of a Legendary Armada* by James P. Delgado in *The Chinese Historical Review* 16.2 (Fall 2009), pp. 250-253

Book review of *Tradition, Treaties, and Trade: Qing Imperialism and Chosen Korea, 1850-1910,* by Kirk W. Larsen in *Pacific Affairs* 82.3 (Fall 2009), pp. 544-546

Comparative book review of *Asia Looks Seaward: Power & Maritime Strategy*, edited by Toshi Yoshihara and James R. Holmes, and *China's Energy Strategy: The Impact on Beijing's Maritime Policies*, edited by Gabriel Collins, et al., in *The Northern Mariner* xix no. 1 (Jan. 2009), pp. 95-97.

Book review of *The Making of the Chinese State: Ethnicity and Expansion on the Ming Borderlands* by Leo K. Shin in *The Historian* 70.1 (Spring 2008), pp. 136-137

Book review of *The Diary of a Manchu Soldier in Seventeenth-Century China: "My Service in the Army" by Dzengseo* by Nicola Di Cosmo, in *The Journal of Military History* 72.1 (Jan. 2008), pp. 233-234

Book review of *Between Dreams and Reality: The Military Examination in Late Choson Korea, 1600-1894* by Eugene Y. Park in *The Journal of Military History* 71.4 (Oct. 2007), pp. 1227-1228

Book review essay entitled "Perspectives on the Imjin War" in *Journal of Korean Studies* 12.1 (Fall 2007), pp. 154-161

Book review of *Empire at the Margins: Culture, Ethnicity, and Frontier in Early Modern China*, edited by Pamela Crossley et al., in *The Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 50.4 (Oct. 2007), pp. 592-595

Book review of War and State Formation in Ancient China and Early Modern Europe by Victoria Tin-Bor Hui in The Journal of Asian Studies 66.2 (May 2007), pp. 536-538

Book review of *Gateway to Japan: Hakata in War and Peace, 500-1300* by Bruce L. Batten in *The Historian* 69.1 (Spring 2007), pp. 132-135

Book review of War in World History: Society, Technology and War From Ancient Times to the Present, Part IV: The Dawn of Global Warfare, 1500-1750 by Stephen Morillo, et al., in Chinese Military History Society Newsletter 8 (May 2005)

Book review of Cultural Centrality and Political Change in Chinese History: Northeast Henan in the Fall of the Ming by Roger V. Des Forges in The Journal of Interdisciplinary History 35.2 (Sept. 2004), pp. 339-340

Book review of Firearms: A Global History to 1700 by Kenneth Chase in Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient 47.2 (Mar. 2004), pp. 284-286

Book review of Fire and Water: The Art of Incendiary and Aquatic Warfare in China by Ralph D. Sawyer, in History: Reviews of New Books 32.3 (Spring 2004), p. 117

Book review of *Like Froth Floating on the Sea: The World of Pirates and Seafarers in Late Imperial South China* by Robert J. Antony in *Ming Studies* 48 (2003), pp. 100-107

Book review of Ancient China and its Enemies: The Rise of Nomadic Power in East Asian History by Nicola Di Cosmo in The Journal of Asian Studies 62.4 (November 2003), pp. 1234-1235

Book review of *Medieval Chinese Warfare* by David A. Graff, in *The Journal of Asian Studies* 62.3 (August 2003), pp. 930-932

Book review of *Warfare in Chinese History*, edited by Hans van de Ven, in *Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient* 45.3 (August 2001), pp. 406-409

Book review of *The Literature of Travel in the Japanese Rediscovery of China, 1862-1945* by Joshua A. Fogel in *New Asia-Pacific Review 3.1* (1996), pp. 60-61

Book review of *God's Chinese Son: The Heavenly Kingdom of Hong Xiuquan* by Jonathan Spence in *New Asia Review* 2.4 (Spring 1996), pp. 47-48

Book review of *Governing China* by Kenneth Lieberthal in *New Asia Review* 2.2-3 (Fall/Winter 1995-96), pp. 68-69

Obituary for Professor Edward L. Dreyer published in the online *Chinese Military History Society Newsletter* 13 (Fall 2007)

"Report on the Taipei Conference on Ming Literati Collections" Ming Studies 44 (Fall 2000), pp. 3-4

CONFERENCES, PAPERS AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Presentation entitled "The Many Uses of Savages: Weaponizing and Assimilating Southwestern Minorities during the Three Feudatories Rebellion in China, ca. 1660-1690," delivered for the Webinar Series "Enemy Encounters in Asia" hosted by Heidelberg University, Heidelberg, Germany (June 2025)

Paper entitled "Springboard for Conquest: How the Suppression of Wu Sangui in the Southwest Stimulated Qing Expansion," presented at the Second Annual Conference of the Military History Consortium at Iscte-Institute, University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal (June 2025)

Organized and panel entitled "Reframing the San Fan Rebellion and its Significance for Asian History," for the Second Annual Conference of the Military History Consortium held at Iscte-Institute, University of Lisbon, Portugal (June 2025)

Paper Entitled "White Turtles, Green Standards, and Colored Banners: Assessing Wu Sangui's Strategic Dilemma in 1674," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Mobile, AL (March 2025)

Organized panel entitled "Wu Sangui Reconsidered" for the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society, Mobile, AL (March 2025)

Paper entitled "Liars and Loyalists: Early Qing Anxiety Regarding China's Southwest," presented at the Northern Great Plains History Conference, Sioux Falls, SD (September 2024)

Organized panel entitled "Boogeymen: Representations of Frontier Lawlessness Around the Globe" for the Northern Great Plains History Conference, Sioux Falls, SD (September 2024)

Paper entitled "If We Cannot Soothe, Then We Must Punish: Qing Tactics in Quelling the Dungan Rebellion, 1862-1875," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History in Arlington, VA (April 2024)

Organized panel entitled "Trouble with Transitioning: Revisiting the Ming-Qing Conflict and its Aftermath" for the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Arlington, VA (April 2024)

Paper entitled "Connecting the Dots: Wu Sangui and the Origins of the San Fan Rebellion," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Arlington, VA (April 2024)

Lecture entitled "Trickle-down Confucianism: War, Reconstruction, and Cultural Assimilation in the Late Qing," delivered at the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (November 2023)

Discussant for panel entitled "The Cutting Edge: Weapons Technology in Postwar East Asia," as part of the workshop "Mastery of Materialities: Resources and Technology in Post-Imjin East Asia (1598-1650)," held at the Autonomous University of Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain (September 2023)

Paper entitled "Yakub Beg, Zuo Zongtang and the Great Game in Central Asia" presented at the Society for Global Nineteenth-century Studies World Congress in Singapore (June 2023)

Organized panel entitled "Games within Games: Intersections of Power & Legitimacy in Asia" for the Society for Global Nineteenth-century Studies World Congress in Singapore (June 2023)

Presentation on Research, History & Culture in Contemporary China for Dr. Kayla Stan, Department of Geography, Vancouver Island University [Online] (June 2022)

Organized panel entitled "Arteries of Empire: Riverine Warfare in Imperial China," for the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Dallas, TX (April 2022)

Paper entitled "Boats, Barbarians & Bandits: Riverine Warfare & the Taiping," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Dallas, TX (April 2022)

Lecture entitled: "More than Just Chicken: Meet the Real General Zuo," delivered at the College of Wooster in Wooster, OH (April 2022)

"Smoke on the Water, Fire in the Sky: Musings on Muskets & More in the Ming-Qing War in Southwest China," presented at the workshop "Beyond the Military Revolution Debate and Geographic Determinism? The Multifarious Reception of the Harquebus," hosted virtually by the Autonomous University of Barcelona (Sept. 2021)

Organizer & Chair for Roundtable "Reengaging the Late Qing Military" organized for the 12th International Convention of Asian Scholars, Kyoto, Japan (August 2021)—Cancelled due to Covid-19

Panel chair and discussant, "Sociocultural Dimensions of Transregional Intelligence Gathering in East Asia, 1450-1850," presented at the 2021 Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference (March 2021)

"Ming Grand Strategy and the East Asian War," presented via ZOOM for "Aftermath of the East Asian War of 1592-1598 Seminar Series" hosted by the Autonomous University of Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain (Nov. 2020)

"More than Just Chicken: The Real General Zuo," presented as part of the School of Humanities Brown Bag Luncheon Lecture Series, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS (Oct. 2020)

"Corralling the Nian: Peasant Uprisings and Local Society in the Late Qing" scheduled for Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Arlington, VA (April 2020)—Cancelled due to COVID-19

"Teaching the Great East Asian War" and "The Military Revolution in East Asia" presented at the NCTA Summer Institute on Early Modern Asia, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO (July 2019)

"Horror Stories and Exaggerated Possibilities: Magalhaens and Buglio at the Court of Zhang Xianzhong," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies held in Denver, CO (March 2019)

"General Zuo's Counter-insurgency Doctrine," presented at the "Nineteenth-century Insurgency and Counter-insurgency" Colloquium at the University of Kent, Canterbury, United Kingdom (October 2018)

"Before the Nine-dash Line: Chosôn Korea in the Grand Strategy of the Ming During the Great East Asian War," presented at "Ten Events from East Asian History that Every IR Scholar Should Know" workshops held at the University of Southern California (May 2018 and December 2018)

Panel chair and discussant, "The Frontiers of Global Military History: Military Technology and Inner and East Asian Warfare," at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held in Louisville, KY (April 2018)

Organized panel entitled "Visions of Violence in Chinese History," for the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society held in Louisville, KY (April 2018)

"The Rhetoric of Catastrophe in the Ming-Qing Transition," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society held in Louisville, KY (April 2018)

Panel chair and discussant, "Art and War: The Japanese Invasion of Korea, 1592-1598," for the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies held in Washington, D.C. (March 2018)

"Riverine Warfare in Southwest China During the Ming-Qing Transition," presented at the 3rd Regional Asia-Pacific Conference on Underwater Cultural Heritage held in Hong Kong, China (December 2017)

"Confucian PTSD: The Rhetoric of Catastrophe in Late Imperial China," Bi-Annual General Buford Blount Lecture in Military History delivered at the University of Southern Mississippi (March 2017)

"The Art of Being Awesome: The Grand Strategy of the Ming Dynasty," presented at the Chao Center for Asian Studies, Rice University, Houston, TX (October 2016)

Chaired Panel Entitled "From Wartime Duties to Postwar Politics: The Evolution of Militant Latina/o Consciousness" at the Waging Peace Conference held in New Orleans, LA (September 2016)

"Chinese Ways of War, 1500-1800," presented at "The History of Violence: From Prehistory to the Present Conference" held in Rome, Italy (June 2016)

Presentation entitled "Unhyphenated Americans" delivered as part of the program, "Walk Together, Embrace Differences, Build Legacies" for Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month at Camp Shelby, MS (May 2016)

"Feng Zikai: Using a New Medium to Present War & Peace" presented at the Second Annual "Art of War: When Modern was Contemporary" Roundtable at the Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, MS (April 2016)

"Using Barbarians to Fight Barbarians: Aboriginal Troops in the Ming-Manchu War" presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held in Ottawa, Canada (April 2016)

"Guerrillas in the Mist: Concerning the Alliance Between the Ming Loyalists and Former Peasant Rebels" presented at the Annual Conference of the Chinese Military History Society held in Ottawa, Canada (April 2016)

Panelist for roundtable discussion entitled "Toward a New Discourse of Nation: The Great East Asian War and the Birth of Korean Nation - In Memory of JaHyun Kim Haboush" at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Seattle, WA (March 2016)

Lecture entitled "For a Thousand *li* there were no Cooking Fires: Southwest China During the Ming-Qing Transition" presented at The Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ (November 2015)

Lecture entitled "Experiencing War in Seventeenth-Century China," delivered at the Confucius Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (September 2015)

"From the Clutches of Bandits into the Mouths of Tigers: Ordinary People in the Ming-Qing Transition in China," presented as part of the Richard McCarthy Lecture Series, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS (September 2015)

"A Little Zhuge Liang: The Peasant Rebel Li Dingguo as Military Commander," presented at the International Medieval Congress held in Leeds, England (July 2015)

"The Bitter End: The Annihilation of the Kuidong 13 in the Early Qing," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society in Montgomery, AL (April 2015)

Commentator for panel entitled "Commemoration & Reform: Reinventing China's Military from the Ming Debacle to the Second Sino-Japanese War" at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History in Montgomery, AL (April 2015)

"Rivers of Blood and Roads of Bones: Sichuan in the Ming-Qing Transition" presented at the Festschrift for John E. Wills Jr., at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA (March 2015)

Participated in roundtable discussion entitled "The Art of War" at the Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson, MS (February 2015)

"Entering the Quagmire: Concerning Ming China's Decision to Intervene in Vietnam in the Early 15th Century," presented at the conference "Ming: Courts and Contacts, 1400-1450," held at the British Museum, London, England (October 2014)

Organized panel entitled "Cross-cultural Representations of Terror and Savagery in Early Modern Warfare" for the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, held in Kansas City, MO (April 2014)

"Creating a Den for the Yellow Tiger: Accounts of Zhang Xianzhong's 'Cleansing' of Sichuan," presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held in Kansas City, MO (April 2014)

"Hairy Cannibals and Lots of Tigers: Accounts of Sichuan Under Zhang Xianzhong" presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies held in Philadelphia, PA (March 2014)

Organized and moderated roundtable entitled "From Swashbuckling Samurai to Righteous and Harmonious Fists: Teaching Asian Military Topics" for the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held in New Orleans, LA (March 2013)

Commentator for panel entitled "Foreign Influences on Chinese Warfare in the Late Imperial Period (1600-1900)" for the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held in New Orleans, LA (March 2013)

Hosted and organized Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society held in New Orleans, LA (March 2013)

"Hanging by a Silken Thread: The Strategic Dilemma of the Ming in 1644" presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History in Arlington, VA (May 2012)

Lecture entitled "Emperors, Eunuchs, and Disgruntled Postal Workers," delivered as part of the Faculty Sabbatical Lecture Series, Ball State University, Muncie, IN (January 2012)

Lecture entitled "Glory and Decline of the Ming Dynasty," delivered at the Center for Philanthropy, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN (January 2012)

"Buccaneers, Boats, and Barbarian Cannon: Naval Technology and State Power in the Late Ming," presented at the conference "Pirates, Silk, and Samurai: Maritime China in Global History," held at Emory University, Atlanta, GA (October 2011)

Presentation entitled "Manifesting Awe: Imperial Leadership and Grand Strategy in the Ming Dynasty," delivered at the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (October 2011)

"Postcards from the Edge: Competing Strategies for the Defense of Liaodong in the Late Ming," presented at the conference "Civil-Military Relations in Chinese History," at the University of Leipzig, Leipzig, Germany (August 2011)

Commentator for panel entitled "Southeast Asia in World History" at the World History Association Annual Conference, Beijing, China (July 2011)

Commentator for panel entitled "Imagining War and Strategic Thought in China" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Lisle, IL (June 2011)

Presentation entitled "History and Memory: Recalling the First Great East Asian War, 1592-1598," delivered at Taylor University, Upland, IN (April 2011)

"Gunsmoke: The Ming Invasion of Vietnam and the Dissemination of Firearms Technology in Fifteenth-Century Asia," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Honolulu, HI (April 2011)

"Managing Dwarfs, Children, and Barbarians: The Thorny Responsibilities of Being a Tributary Overlord in Northeast Asia," presented at the conference "Was There an Historical East Asian International System? Impact, Meaning, and Conceptualization" at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA (March 2011)

Panel Chair and Commentator for panel entitled "Thought and Practice in Chinese Warfare" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, held at the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA (May 2010)

"Of Bureaucrats and Bandits: Anti-Rebel Strategy at the End of the Ming Dynasty," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, held at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA (May 2010)

"Immersive Learning: Accounts of the Defense of Kaifeng at the End of the Ming Dynasty," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society, Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, VA (May 2010)

Delivered Annual Kwan-Wai So/Anthony Koo Lecture in Asian Studies entitled "Taking Heads and Rectifying Names: Comparing Heroes of the First Great East Asian War, 1592-1598," at Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI (April 2010)

"Bringing in the Big Guns: On the Use of Artillery in the Ming-Manchu War," presented at the conference "War and Devastation in the Ottoman and Qing Empires" at the University of the Bosporus, Istanbul, Turkey (June 2009)

"Miscasting a Ten-Sided Net: Evaluating Yang Sichang's Anti-Rebel Strategy at the End of the Ming Dynasty," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society at Kwantlen University, Vancouver, Canada (May 2009)

Commentator for panel entitled "East Asian Urban Networks in the Early Modern Era," at the Small Cities Conference, Ball State University, Muncie, IN (April 2009)

Participant in "The Uses and Abuses of 'Ways of War" roundtable organized for 2009 Society for Military History Conference held at Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN (April 2009)

Presentation entitled "East Asia's First Modern War: The First Great East Asian War (1592-1598) in Global Context," delivered at the East Asian Studies Center, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN (February 2009)

Presentation entitled "Imperial Visions: Ming China's Response to the Japanese Invasion of Korea, 1592-1598," delivered at Columbia University, New York, NY (September 2008)

"Loyalist or Desperado? The International Context of the Execution of Mao Wenlong," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Atlanta, GA (April 2008)

Presentation entitled "The Art of War: Images of the Japanese Invasion of Korea in the 1590s," delivered at the Ball State University Museum of Art (February 2008)

"Cutting Dwarf Pirates Down to Size: Amphibious Warfare in Sixteenth-Century East Asia," presented at the Naval History Symposium, held at Annapolis, MD (September 2007)

Panel commentator for panel entitled "Commerce and Power in Early Modern East Asian Cities," for "The Small City in Global Context" Conference, Ball State University, Muncie, IN (April 2007)

Presentation entitled "Baywatch: Anti-Japanese Coastal Defenses in Late Sixteenth-Century China," delivered at the University of Toronto, Toronto, ON (December 2006)

"Protecting the Dragon's Teeth: Reasons for Ming China's Intervention," presented at "A Transnational History of the Imjin Waeran: The East Asian Dimension conference," held at Tongyong, South Korea (June 2006)

Organized panel entitled "Raiders, Traders and Invaders in Premodern Northeast Asia" for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History held at Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (May 2006)

"All Along the Watchtowers: Plans for Bolstering Coastal Defenses in Late Sixteenth-century China," presented for the panel "Raiders, Traders and Invaders in Premodern Northeast Asia" at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History at Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (May 2006)

"The Beating of Drums & Clashing of Symbols: Music in Late Ming Military Operations" presented at the "Musiking the Late Ming" Conference at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (May 2006)

"Father Knows Best? Emperor Wanli and the Ming Intervention," presented as part of the panel "The Korean War of 1592-98 and Styles of Governance in Premodern East Asia" at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Francisco, CA (April 2006)

Presentation entitled "Using Korean Archives for Ming History" given at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Ming Studies, San Francisco, CA (April 2006)

Presentation entitled "Contemporary Seoul & Taibei: Highlighting the Past and Looking Towards the Future" for Roundtable Discussion on Urbanization in Contemporary Asia during Focus on Asia Month at Ball State University, Muncie, IN (November 2005)

"When Victory Blows Up in Your Face: The Battle of Sachon and the Mountain of Ears," presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Chinese Studies at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN (October 2005)

Presentation entitled "Hideyoshi's Hubris & Wanli's Wrath: Ming China and the First Greater East Asian War" delivered at Sungkyunkwan University, Seoul, South Korea (August 2005)

"Yi Said, Li Said: Contrasting Views of the End of the First Greater East Asian War," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society held at the University of Calgary, Canada (May 2005)

Organized and chaired roundtable entitled "A Reign of Great Significance: Recasting Wanli and his Era From an Interdisciplinary Perspective" at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, IL (March 2005)

Chaired panel entitled "Iron Ships and Stone Walls in Pre-Modern Japan and England: The Military Revolution Across the Globe," at the Tenth Annual Barnes Club Graduate Student History Conference held at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA (February 2005)

"Lurking Fears: Strategic Concerns of the Later Ming Dynasty, ca. 1550-1650," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Society for Military History, Bethesda, MD (May 2004)

"Dashing Defiers and Dastardly Defenders: Independent Military Power at the End of the Ming, 1620-1644," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society at George Washington University, Washington, D.C. (May 2004)

Organized panel entitled "Perspectives on the First Greater East Asian War, ca. 1560-1620," for the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego, CA (March 2004)

"Snatching Defeat from the Jaws of Victory: Yang Hao and the Siege of Ulsan," presented as part of the panel "Perspectives on the First Greater East Asian War" at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, San Diego, CA (March 2004)

Delivered Second Annual Lecture in Asian Studies at the University of South Alabama entitled "Korea's Unforgotten War," Mobile, AL (November 2003)

"Beyond Turtleboats: Siege Accounts from Hideyoshi's Second Invasion of Korea, 1597-1598," presented at the New York Conference on Asian Studies, SUNY Buffalo, NY (October 2003)

Hosted and organized the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society held at Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY (May 2003)

"Guns, Guts, and Glory: Notes on Military Technology in the Japanese Invasion of Korea, 1592-1598," presented at the New York Conference on Asian Studies, Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY (October 2002)

Presentation entitled "When Are People Going to Start Talking About *Wu?* Military Elites in the Late Ming Dynasty, 1570-1620," delivered at the Center for Chinese Studies, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (October 2002)

Organized panel entitled "Alternative Possibilities: Women on the Margins of Asian Society Across Space and Time," for 12th Annual Conference on Women's Studies, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY (June 2002)

"The Legend of Tang Saier" presented at 12th Annual Conference on Women's Studies, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY (June 2002)

"Turning the Tide: The Strategic and Psychological Significance of the Liberation of Pyongyang in 1593" presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS (May 2002)

"All Men are Not Brothers: Ethnic Identity and Dynastic Loyalty Along China's Northwestern Frontier, 1572-1592," presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, San Francisco, CA (January 2002)

Presentation entitled "The Ningxia Mutiny of 1592" delivered to the Military Studies Group of the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (December 2001)

Presentation entitled "Wrath of the Dragon: China's Response to the Japanese Invasion of Korea, 1592-1598," delivered at Colgate University, Hamilton, NY (November 2001)

"A Few Good Men: The Li Family and China's Northern Frontier in the Late Ming," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Chinese Military History Society, Miami, FL, (May 2001)

Organized panel entitled "Close Encounters with Ming China: International Trade, Diplomacy, and Cultural Exchanges," for the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, IL (March 2001)

"Caught Between the Dragon and the Rising Sun: Sino-Japanese Negotiations Over the Fate of Korea, 1593-1596," presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Chicago, IL (March 2001)

Presentation entitled "China Crosses the Yalu, Part One" delivered to the Military Studies Group, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (December 2000)

"Size Matters: International Military Technology in Toyotomi Hideyoshi's Invasions of Korea, 1592-1598," presented at the Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN (October 2000)

Presentation entitled "Wild Frontiers: International Incidents and Domestic Rebellions During the Wanli Reign" delivered to the Ming-Qing Studies Group, Institute of Modern History, Academia Sinica, Taibei, Taiwan (April 2000)

"Civil-Military Coordination in the Bozhou Campaign of the Wanli Era" presented at The Association for Asian Studies Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (March 1999)

"A Window on the Late Ming Military: The Career of General Chen Lin" presented at the Midwest Conference on Asian History and Culture, Ohio State University, Columbus, OH (May 1998)

"The Ethnic Problematik in Premodern China" presented at the Methodological Reflections on History and Culture Workshop, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (February 1997)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIPS

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship Reviewer (2024)

Guest Editor, Journal of Chinese Military History Issue 12.1 (2023)

Assessor for Oxford University, UK for PhD Candidate Kizaki Braddick (2022)

Senior Project Adviser for "Aftermath of the East Asian War, 1592-1598," European Research Council project organized by Dr. Rebekah Clements, Autonomous University of Barcelona (2018-2024) https://aftermath.uab.cat/

Co-Editor, Book Series "Annotated Strategy Classics," (2016-2018)

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